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SUBJECT: SOUTH PACIFIC NUCLEAR FREE ZONE (SPNFZ)

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1. PER REFTEL WE DISCUSSED SPNFZ WITH FCO ACTION OFFICERS ON SEPTEMBER 22. THEY REPORT THAT PAPERS HAVE NOT YET BEEN DRAFTED FOR SUBMISSION TO MINISTERS ON SPNFZ SO THE THERE IS NO UK POSITION AT PRESENT. BUT OFFICIALS SHARE U.S. CONCERNS ABOUT POSSIBLE EFFECT OF SPNFZ ON SECURITY ARRANGEMENTS IN THE AREA.

2. UK OFFICIALS ARE NOT YET CLEAR IN THEIR OWN MINDS ABOUT BEST POSSIBLE TACTICAL APPROACH TOWARD SPNFZ BUT THEY ARE LEANING TOWARD RECOMMENDATION TO ABSTAIN
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ON NEW ZEALAND RESOLUTION.

3. COMMENT. IT IS UNLIKELY THAT UK WOULD EVER OPPOSE
NEW ZEALAND RESOLUTION WITH A NEGATIVE VOTE ALTHOUGH
THEY WOULD CERTAINLY BE READY TO INDICATE THEIR CONCERN
TO NEW ZEALAND AND PRIVATELY. IF WE WISH THE UK TO TAKE
POSITIVE ACTION TO OPPOSE SPNFZ IN CORRIDORS, WE SHOULD
MAKE A REQUEST SOON, BEFORE THE ISSUE HAS BEEN SUBMITTED
TO MINISTERS.

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